

FIRECRIER

***West Des Moines Fire Department
FEBRUARY, 2014***



UPCOMING DATES

◆ Warmer Weather???

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ON THE SPOTS

Scott Aanes

Brad Reineke

EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to **Matt Sandel** on achieving his EMT Certification.

The following personnel attended the Annual Winter Fire School in Ames-

Travis Boots; Michael Dunkin; Joe Finken; Aaron Gilbert; Travis Hansen; James Kirkman; Richard Ray; Matt Sandel; Kurt Westhoff; Neil Weglarz

The following personnel taught classes at Winter Fire School in Ames—

Fire Marshal Whitsell; Deputy Chief Eslick; Lt./Inspector Westhoff; F/F Belle; F/F Seivert

MOVING ON

Jacob Rieper (#17 Recruit) has accepted a paramedic position at the Mayo Clinic and is moving to Minnesota. We wish him the best of luck in his new career.

NEW STATE TROOPER- WATCH YOUR SPEED



**POC FF BRADLEY KAIN (Sta. #17)
GRADUATES AND IS RECOGNIZED BY
THE GOVERNOR AND THE PUBLIC
SAFETY COMMISSIONER-
CONGRATULATIONS BRAD!!!**

If you see a brown/black Harley tooling down the highway- let it go.

NEW DIGITAL RADIOS INSTALLED

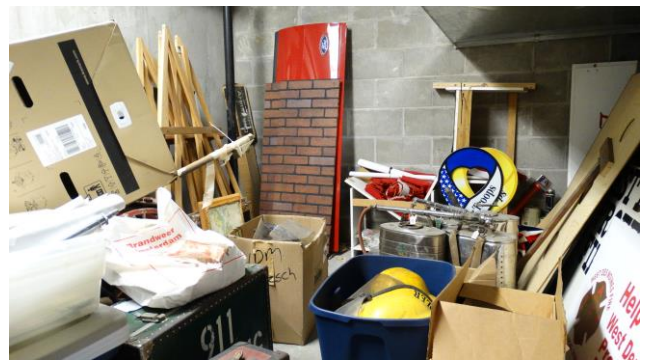
We have finally accomplished all the mobile and portable radio distributions and installations. Deputy Chief Jack Bengé coordinated the installations and we are set to move to digital in early April. Westcom will be providing train-the-trainer for our department in late March. Questions or coverage issues should be directed to D.C. Bengé.

NEW MOBILE DATA FUNCTIONALITY TO GO LIVE SOON

Matt Lehman, Lt. Finken and Eric Kozak are presenting training on new functions for our MDCs. They have been working on the project for months and the goal is to improve efficiency and make it more user friendly. The new monitor view will first be tried on career engines to work the bugs out and then rolled out to all the MDCs. Questions should be directed to one of the three project representatives.

AMAZING JOB – WOW

Yoshi has worked countless hours recently organizing and saving old pictures from 30-40 years ago. I recently found time to look at how she has organized them chronologically and even meet with retired personnel to try and closely identify the dates and events. It is amazing and has really captured some of our important history that otherwise would have probably been discarded. THANKS YOSHI. We hope to share your talent soon with everyone. Here are some samples:



Her Work Before



And After